

Amendments to the specification,

Clean version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s), pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii):

Please replace the section heading of the claims (i.e., "Claims" which was automatically generated by the PTO Electronic Stylesheet v. 1.1.1, pursuant to electronic filing), with the following rewritten heading:

~~Claims~~ What is claimed is:

Please replace Paragraph [0047] with the following:

Java: Java[™] is a general purpose programming language developed by Sun Microsystems. Java is an object-oriented language similar to C++, but simplified to eliminate language features that cause common programming errors. Java source code files (files with a .java extension) are compiled into a format called bytecode (files with a .class extension), which can then be executed by a Java interpreter. Compiled Java code can run on most computers because Java interpreters and runtime environments, known as Java virtual machines (VMs), exist for most operating systems, including UNIX, the Macintosh OS, and Windows. Bytecode can also be converted directly into machine language instructions by a just-in-time (JIT) compiler. Further description of the Java Language environment can be found in the technical, trade, and patent literature; see e.g., Gosling, J. et al., "The Java Language Environment: A White Paper," Sun Microsystems Computer Company, October 1995, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference. For additional information on the Java programming language (e.g., version 2), see e.g., "Java 2 SDK, Standard Edition Documentation, version 1.4.2," from Sun Microsystems, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference. A copy of this documentation is available via the Internet (e.g., currently at java.sun.com/j2se/1.4.2/docs/index.html the Sun Java website).

Please replace Paragraph [0057] with the following:

For purposes of discussion, the following description will present examples of a first (or

"client") component written in the C# programming language communicating with a second (or "server") component written in the Java language. However, the present invention is not specific to C# and/or JavaTM and may also be used with a number of other programming languages. In addition, a client/server distinction is not necessary to the invention, but is used to provide a framework for discussion. Instead, the present invention may be implemented in any type of system architecture or processing environment capable of supporting the methodologies of the present invention presented in detail below.